JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

Concerning continuation of the grant program in the department of corrections to provide funding to eligible community-based organizations that provide reentry services to offenders, and, in connection therewith, implementing the recommendations in the 2017 report of the department of regulatory agencies.

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Fiscal Impact of Bill as Amended to Date

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 04/09/18.

XXX	No Change: Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill
	Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to new information or technical issues
	Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to amendment adopted after LCS Fiscal Note was prepared
	Non-Concurrence: JBC Staff and Legislative Council Staff disagree about the fiscal impact of the bill

Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee

Amendment	Description
J.001	Bill Sponsor amendment - does change fiscal impact

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill includes an appropriation clause that provides \$3,286,000 cash funds from the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund to the Judicial Department for FY 2018-19. This amount is then reappropriated to the Department of Corrections for FY 2018-19. The bill also includes a statutory transfer of \$3,286,000 cash funds from the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund in the Judicial Department to the Department of Corrections.

Description of Amendments in This Packet

J.001 Bill Sponsor amendment **J.001** (attached) removes the statutory transfer of \$3,286,000 cash funds from the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund from the Judicial Department to the Department of Corrections and makes technical changes to the appropriation clause. This amendment would remove the General Fund and cash fund transfer amounts of \$3,286,000 show on Table 1 of the April 9, 2018 fiscal note.

Points to Consider

Technical Issues

As noted on page 3 of the April 9, 2018 Legislative Council Fiscal Note, the bill contains both a transfer and an appropriation of funds from the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund. The bill only requires an appropriation. Amendment J.001 (attached) removes the transfer language and addresses this technical issue.

Future Budget Process

The bill, as amended by the House Judiciary Committee, encourages the Department of Corrections to request an annual appropriation of \$5,475,380 General Fund for the Reentry Services Grant Program (see page 2, lines 9 through 11 of the Judiciary Committee Report).

Revenue Source

The Correctional Treatment Cash Fund is not a sustainable source of funding for this grant program. If the General Assembly chooses to continue to appropriate money from this fund for this grant program, other appropriations from the Fund would need to be reduced.